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1. The Czech silk weaving industry is organized into five combines: Silka in Liberec (051/G16), Hedva in Moravska Trebova (P50/N46), Atlas in Zabreh (P50/N58), Henap in Sumpark (P50/N69) and Brokat in Rymarov (P50/N89). Between them these combines control a total of 38 factories operating 7,815 silk spinning machines and employing 11,200 men of whom 2,900 are officials.
2. The following list indicates the production quota for 1950 of each of the factories under the control of these combines:

Combine	Factory	Production quota in meters
Silka	Praha-Liben	This factory is being dismantled and all machinery is being sent to the factory at Liberec I.
	Liberec I	Plan 2,400,000
	Liberec II	Manufactures silk crepe.
	Mseno	Plan 1,200,000
	Hradek nad Nisou	Plan 800,000.
Hedva	Kocler	Plan 1,600,000.
	Moravska Trebova I	Plan 1,100,000
	Moravska Trebova II	Plan 860,000
	Moravska Trebova III	Plan 900,000
	Moravska Trebova IV	Dyeing factory

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<u>Combine</u>	<u>Factory</u>	<u>Production quota in meters</u>
	Zendlova	Plan 2,100,000
	Chocen	Plan 1,100,000
	Orlice u Kynsperka	Plan 2,000,000
	Dolni Dobrone I	Plan 450,000
	Dolni Dobrone II	Plan 300,000
	Novy Bydzov	Plan 500,000
	Gobeslav	Plan 700,000
	Jindrichuv Hradec	Plan 1,100,000
	Bela	Plan 200,000
Atlas	Zabreh I	Plan 1,400,000
	Zabreh II	Dyeing factory.
	Lanskroun	Plan 400,000
	Sazava	Plan 300,000
	Kraliky	Plan 600,000
	Policka	Plan 150,000
	Cugmantl	Plan 250,000
Henap	Sumperk I	Plan 900,000
	Sumperk II	Plan 600,000
	Sumperk III	Plan 200,000
	Sumperk IV	Technical school for the whole silk industry.
	Sumperk V	Manufactures silk crepe.
	Hanusovice	This factory is being dismantled and the machinery sent to the factory at Sumperk.
	Unicov	This factory is being dismantled and the machinery sent to the factory at Sumperk.
Brokat	Rymarov I	Plan 1,000,000
	Rymarov II	Plan 800,000
	Horni Mesto	Plan 350,000
	Ryzoviste	Plan 300,000
	Vitkov	Plan 700,000

3. From the middle of 1950 the Silka and Hedva combines are to produce only parachute silk and silk sacks for explosives and will cease all civilian production.
4. Artificial silk is manufactured in Czechoslovakia only in small quantities and is of very poor quality. Raw silk is imported [redacted]. Only barter transactions are possible and the Czech government is prepared to accept a loss in the barter exchange in order to obtain silk. In spite of this, the amounts obtainable are inadequate for the 1950 production plan.

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Existing stocks of silk are rapidly being used up and if no new sources can be found in the near future, it is estimated that it will only be possible to achieve 40% of the production laid down in the 1950 production plan.

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5. Forty percent of the silk produced is exported to the USSR, [redacted] 30% is retained for internal consumption, 10% is used for replenishing stocks and 15% is rejected as being of inferior quality or defective. 50X1-HUM

* [redacted] Comment: The figures represent a considerable reduction from the planned production figures issued at the beginning of the year. 50X1-HUM

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